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IN RE APPLICATION OF

Art Unit: 1613

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FOR: PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF 2-CHLORO-5-

CHLOROMETHYL-THIAZOLE

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## NOTICE OF APPEAL

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Office Action dated November 5, 1999 finally rejecting claims 1-9, 12 and 13.

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